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1. The Buero fuer Wissenschaftlich-Technische Zusammenarbeit (WTZ) (Office for Scientific-Technical Cooperation) is located on the second floor of the building of the Central Office for Research and Technology (Zentralamt fuer Forschung und Technik - ZAFT) at Koepenicker Strasse 80-82, in East Berlin. 25X1  
November 1952, the WTZ office was affiliated administratively with ZAFT. It then became independent and was placed under the direct supervision of the East German State Planning Commission. Bruno Leuschner, the head of this Commission, is in charge of WTZ. 25X1
2. WTZ is responsible for all matters concerning the exchange of scientific-technical personnel and ~~information~~ between East Germany, on the one side -- ~~has~~ the USSR and ~~satellites~~. It also includes the exchange of scientific-technical equipment, patents and procedures. 25X1
3. WTZ ~~consists of~~ a head office, a number of departments and secretariates, each of which is responsible ~~to~~ one foreign country or a group of foreign countries, and a number of administrative departments. 25X1

b. Departments and Secretariates for Foreign Countries

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- (1) Department for the USSR (Abteilung SU)  
Headed by Helfried Pech. His secretary is Mrs. Paetzold (fnu).

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- (2) Finance Department (Abteilung Finanzen)  
Headed by Strei (fnu), the deputy head of WTZ. It has two Sachbearbeiterinnen (not identified).
- (3) Registry Department (Abteilung Registratur)  
Headed by Deck (fnu). Deck is assisted by Schuchelski (fnu), messenger.
- (4) Travel Office (Zimmer fuer Entsendungen)  
Headed by Rothe (fnu), who is assisted by Mrs. Gertrud Grund. Rothe is also Party Secretary of the WTZ SED organization.

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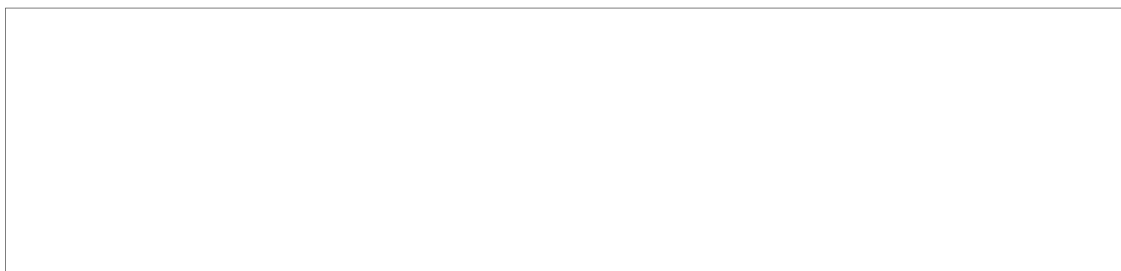
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6. As may be deduced from the above indications, plans provide for an increase in the number of WTZ personnel and an improvement of its structural pattern. This reflects the fact that an ever-increasing importance is attached to the functions of the WTZ in East German government circles. The separation of the WTZ from ZAPT administration was the first step in this direction. There are plans, though not yet clearly defined, for reducing the personnel strength of Zapt in favor of an increased number of WTZ personnel.

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